

2021 New & Renewed Memberships in January!

2B Healthy, LLC
ACAL-Ava Citizens Action League
Ace Grading, Land Clearing, & Utility Installation
Action Realty
Advantage Gas Service
AIDC-Ava Industrial Development
Ambit Technologies
American Family Insurance
American Legion –Troy Herd Post 112
Animal Clinic of Ava
Archie's Family Restaurant
Assumption Abbey
Ava Art Guild
Ava Assembly of God
Ava Beverage
Ava Building Supply/Mansfield Home Center
Ava Family Dental
Ava General Baptist Church
Ava Lions Club
Ava Place
Ava R-1 Schools
Ava Redi-Mix
Ava Springs
Ava Tire Shop
Ava TrueView Family Theater
Ava United Methodist Church
Barnum & Associates Choice Realty
Bates-Crouch Law Office
Bethany Baptist Church
Better Business Bureau Springfield
Big Country Radio 99.3 FM
Blondie's Boutique
Blooming Blessings
Bread of Life Thrift Store
Casey's General Store
Century Bank of the Ozarks
Christos House
City of Ava
Clinkingbeard Funeral Home
Common Grounds Coffee House
Cornerstone Contracting Co.
Crystal Lakes Fisheries
Curtis Department Stores
D.D. Hamilton Title Insurance
Davis Auto Sales
Davis Automotive Center LLC.
Denney Chiropractic

DOCO Sheltered Workshop
Dorsey's Self-Storage
Douglas County Community Foundation
Douglas County Fair Board
Douglas County Fox Trotting Horse Breeders Association
Douglas County Historical Society & Museum
Douglas County Library
Douglas County Missouri Fire Chiefs Association
Douglas County Republican Committee
Douglas County University of Missouri Extension Office
El Tule Oaxaca Mexican Restaurant
Emerson Climate Technologies
FCNB Insurance Services, Inc.
First Southern Baptist Church
Forrest Pump Service
Gainesville Health Care Center
Girl Scouts of the Missouri Heartland
Haro Brothers Restaurant
Heart of the Ozarks Health Care Center
Heath & Son Feed & Supply Inc
Heritage Farm
Highway Church of the Nazarene
Home Pride Bank
Hospice Compassus
Hucklebuck Smoke-N-Grill
Hurricane Bay Carwash - Ava
Impressions Floral & More
Interior Solutions
J & L Tire
J & R Sand and Gravel
Jane's Beauty Shop
J&S Golf Cars
JBrothers True Value
Jean's Healthway
Jim's Body Shop, Inc.
Katie West Art
KKOZ Radio 92.1 FM
Kneading You SkinCare & Massage
L & D Trophies & Engraving
LaTour Advisory Group Inc.
Longdollar Furniture & Appliance
Mark Twain National Forest Ranger Station
Massage & Body Works

McDonald's Restaurant of Ava
Melancholy Roasting
Memory Lane Antiques
Mercy Health Clinic Ava
MFA
Mill Country Title
Missouri Fox Trotting Horse Breed Assn.
Missouri Ozarks Community Health
Missouri Real Estate of the Ozarks
MOCH Wellness Center
Moore Hampton Trucking
Moore Kennel
MS Propane
Murney Associates Realtors- Joanne Couthie
National TV Sales & Rental
Options Pregnancy Center of Ava
Ozark Action Inc.
Ozark FunGuys
Ozark Mountains Digital Marketing
Ozark Mountains Real Estate
Ozarks Family Vision Centre
Ozarks Small Business Incubator
Penmac Employment Agency
Pioneer Heritage Festival of the Ozarks
Pro Design Screen Printing
Rockbridge Trout Ranch & Gun Club
Russell Cellular
Scotty Upchurch Plumbing
Sho-Me Real Estate
Show Me The Pets Mobile Grooming
Signal - Scrivener Oil Company, Inc.
Sonic Drive-In
State Farm Insurance-David Coday
Stockmens Bank
Subway of Ava
Summit Natural Gas
Tarrant Insurance Agency
Tax Diva Services
Teen Harvest
The Barn
The Law Offices of Christopher J. Swatosh
The Work Horse Western Wear
Thomas and Douglas CPA
Thomas Heating & Air

Renewed Memberships Cont.

Touch of Healing Wellness Center
Town & Country Bank
Town & Country Supermarket
Trinity Lutheran Church of Ava
True Brew-Bread of Life Giving & Sharing
Twin Bridges Canoe & Campground
United Country Area Land Realty
VFW Auxiliary—Post 5993
VFW Russell T. Scott Post 5993
Walmart
Whiddon's Air & Electrical
White River Valley Electric Co-op

Friends of the Chamber

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Marilyn Alms
David and Mary Kay Davidson
Donna Eslinger
Bill Jones
Van Kelly
Danny and Charlene Letsinger
Janice Lorrain
David and Dorothy Norman
Richard and Marcia Salgado
Norma Stillings
Carol Turner

Welcome

New Members

Ozark Mountains Real Estate

Seller's Agent/Buyer's Agent for Residential Real Estate, Farms, Land, and Commercial Real Estate

(417) 683-0777

Teen Harvest

Offering family retreats including parent training and marriage counseling (3 days & 3 nights).

Facilities available for church camps, retreats, meetings, conferences, and cabin rentals.

(417) 683-1080

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Laser Engraving in Granite & Wood
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Fundraising: The Art of Asking for Money - Friday, February 12, 2021 1PM - 4PM

In this Nonprofit Workshop Series, you will come out of this class armed with knowledge of how to grow your fundraising program and the confidence to request funds to fulfill your organization's mission.

Grant Writing: Writing a Winning Proposal - Friday, February 26, 2021 1PM - 4:30PM

In this OzSBI Nonprofit Workshop Series, you will learn the basic principles of effective grant writing, the steps to developing a targeted proposal and where to search for funds. You will take away essential grant writing tips and skills.

Register at www.ozsbi.com to attend, or call 417-256-9724 for more information.

Volunteers are Priceless

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and organizations.

The John N. Dickison Award, established in 1989, is awarded each year in recognition of a Douglas County citizen of good reputation, who has longevity in community service and dedication to our community and its citizens.

The Will McFarlin Youth Award, established in 1995, is awarded to recognize an outstanding high school youth of good reputation, for his or her community service & leadership.

Nominations for both awards may be submitted to the Ava Chamber of Commerce office located at 810 Collins Avenue, by mail at PO Box 1103, Ava MO 65608, or email director@avachamber.org.

Nominations close March 15, 2021.



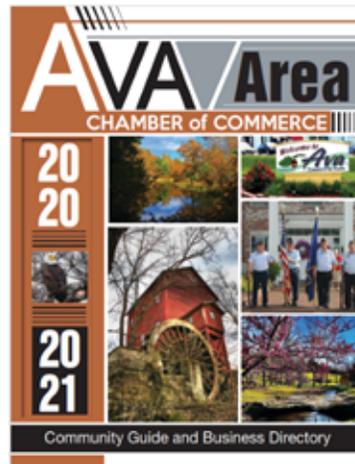
Free Services to Businesses!
Visit jobs.mo.gov.

The Job Center has cost-saving programs to support employers, too. We're here to help your business thrive! In addition to free job postings on jobs.mo.gov, Missouri Job Centers will host your hiring events and job fairs—at your location or at the Job Center. We can help you screen applicants, provide interview/orientation space, give you up-to-date labor market information, and save you money through cost-saving employment programs:

- Work Experience On-the-Job Training (OJT)
- Incumbent Worker Training (IWT)
- Shared Work Unemployment Compensation Program
- (WOTC) Work Opportunity Tax Credit Program
- Missouri Federal Bonding Program

All Missouri Job Center services and programs are FREE. For more information, please contact Missouri Job Center-West Plains at 417-256-3158.

New Ava Community Guide & Business Directory Now Available



This full-color, 55-page publication represents and promotes the Ava/Douglas County area, its activities and events, businesses, points of interest, and includes other valuable information.

Aside from the many annual community events sponsored by the Chamber, this annual publication is one of the largest projects produced by the Ava Chamber office.

In Ava Community Guide/Chamber Business Directory, area Businesses, Clubs, and Organizations are represented with color ads and easy to find listings. Area Points of Interest are highlighted, Community Events & Activities are promoted, and submitted area photos paint a picture of our beautiful surroundings and people. There are interesting articles, City and Fire District Maps, and many important numbers are listed in the front for ease of access.

This is just one of the many ways the Ava Chamber continues to promote and support the Ava - Douglas County area. Stop by the Ava Chamber office to pick up your complimentary copy. This 13th edition is the best one yet!

First Southern Baptist Church to Host Chamber Luncheon

The next Chamber Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, February 9th, at 12:00pm. It will be hosted by the First Southern Baptist Church in their fellowship hall. Luncheons are complimentary and provide a great networking opportunity for members. Masks are welcome but not required.

Chamber Member News

KKOZ Radio's annual Bids-For-Bargains has begun and will continue each Friday and Saturday through May! Tune into 91.2 FM at 9:30am each week, right after Trading Post, to bid on great deals from local businesses, Branson tickets, and more! You won't want to miss it!

Lions Club of Ava—Monthly meetings are the 1st & 3rd Mondays at 12pm. Everyone is welcome! Do you have a heart for our community and want to contribute to making it a better place? Come and see what the Ava Lions are all about. Call Richard at 417-543-8939 for more information or to rent the Lions Club building.

White River Valley Electric Co-op has a couple of community youth programs they would like to share with you. *The Youth Tour Experience* offers high school juniors the opportunity to attend gatherings (virtual or in person) with state representatives and other Youth Tour recipients, leadership development courses, and other impactful benefits. Recipients are also privy to additional scholarship opportunities. White River Valley Electric will award to three students the exclusive Youth Tour experience and a \$1500 scholarship. To be considered for this award and opportunity, students must complete a project answering the question, "How will the Cooperative power your future?" These are due by February 28th.

The Cooperative Youth Conference and Leadership Experience Program (CYCLE) is a three-day

conference in Jefferson City that brings together high school sophomores from across the state for a unique and exciting leadership experience. This trip is scheduled July 21-23. Program officials are monitoring the pandemic and will notify applicants of changes to the program or prizes. Applications are due April 30th.

Learn more about these wonderful opportunities at whiteriver.org/community/youth-programs/

Russell Cellular Ava invites you to slide into the director's chair and create share-ready videos on the spot with multi-cam recording and automatic pro-style effects with the new Samsung S21. Stop in at your local Russell Cellular store to find out how to get up to \$750 off when you trade in your phone and pre-order the S21 (*Restrictions apply, see store for details*).

Russell Cellular also has great deals for businesses! For a limited time, \$400 port in Bill Incentive Credit, or Free iPhone SE on a New Line! Office phone service only \$25/mo!

We also offer a Tech Team for your IT support needs! Call us today at 683-6464 for more details and information.

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services, products, etc!

**Advertise through the
Chamber's weekly E-Blast!**

Need help creating your ad?

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We've got you covered!

Contact us today at
director@avachamber.org

February
Chamber
Luncheon

February 9th - 12PM

Hosted by:

First Southern Baptist Church

On Johnson Ave. across from upper park

Upcoming Luncheons

March - Ava R1 Schools

April - Christos House

Ava Area Chamber of Commerce

810 Collins Avenue

P.O. Box 1103

Ava, MO 65608

News from the Ava/Cassville/Willow Springs Ranger District Mark Twain National Forest



Campground Hosts Needed for the 2021 Season

Zone 3 of the Mark Twain National Forest, home to the Ava/Cassville/Willow Springs and Houston/Rolla/Cedar Creek Ranger Districts, is looking for campground hosts for the 2021 season at Cobb Ridge Campground on Ava unit (April-September), North Fork Campground on Willow Springs unit (May-November), and Lane Springs Campground on Houston unit (April-September). Campground hosting is a volunteer position. We offer a small reimbursement/day for incidentals. Duties of a host are to provide courteous, professional assistance to campers; to keep the campground clean by cleaning campsites, picking up trash, cleaning the facilities (restrooms, showers), taking water tests, and posting reservations. All of these duties may not need to be done at all recreation sites. A background check will be performed due to the fact a host interacts with public. If you are interested in being a campground host, please contact Darla Rein or Carrie Bond at 417-683-4428 for Cobb Ridge and North Fork and Tray Hall at 417-967-4194 for Lane Springs to learn more about hosting opportunities.

Fire/Fuels- Fire continues to prep for prescribed fire lines and implement prescribed burns as the weather permits. We continue to respond to wildfires. Several of our employees are taking fire trainings as they are made available and we are instructing a few courses locally here on the zone. We are also assisting recreation and engineering with some heavy equipment projects.

Administration- In honor of President's Day on February 15, 2021, the Ava and Cassville District Offices will be closed. Please feel free to call the Ava District Office at 417-683-4428.